

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE.

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COMPANY
LIMITED.

APPLICATIONS for the appointment of
a SECRETARY to the Company will be
received up to 30th June Next. Salary to
amount to \$500 per month.

JAMES LYALL,
Secretary Pro. Tem.

Singapore, 18th May, 1893. [1018]

alling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND
PORTS, and taking through Cargo to NEW
ZEALAND, NEW CALEDONIA, TASMANIA,
AND FIJI.)
THE Eastern and Australian Steamship
Company's Steamer

BE despatched as above on or about
EDNESDAY, the 6th June.
Parcels (all of which must be sent to our
deposits) will be received until 4 P.M. of the
same day.
Contents and Value of the Parcels must be
declared.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, 25th May, 1883. [1619]

NOTICE

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of the Victoria Recreation Club
will be held on THURSDAY next, the 31st
May, at 8 o'clock P.M.

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 24th May, 1883. [1014]

**CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING
of the CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COM-
PANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Head-Office,
Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 12th
of June, 1883, at THREE O'CLOCK in the
evening when Resolutions will be proposed for
the Sub-division of Shares and the four-nos of
Capital and for such Amendments and Additions

the Articles of Association as may be necessary for that purpose, also for Amendments and additions to the existing Articles of Association making provision as to Transfer and Transmission, Cancellation and Re-allotment of Shares, Meeting of Shareholders, Voting Power of

A Copy of the proposed Resolutions can be obtained by any Shareholder at the Company's offices in Victoria, before the date appointed

Should the resolutions be passed by the required majority they will be submitted for consideration as special resolutions at a second extraordinary meeting which will be subsequently convened.

By Order of the Board,
W. H. RAY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1888. [1880]

WANTED.

YOUNG MAN, 25 years of age, having

already had a general business experience
three years, A SITUATION as SHIP-
PING CLERK or GENERAL ASSISTANT
at a Merchant's Office. Possesses a fair know-
ledge of the French language, and can give
first class references.
Address _____ B. A.,
Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 17th May, 1893. (988)

WANTED—EMPLOYMENT as SHIP-
PING CLERK or in any similar
capacity, by an energetic YOUNG MAN. Good
testimonials. Address _____ T. H.,
Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 15th May, 1893. (985)

A CARD.

PRIVATE BOARD AND LODGING can
be obtained for Single Gentlemen and
Married Couples at No. 6, Queen's Road East,
near the Victoria Hotel.

Extra dear to the Temperance Hall.
 Terms moderate.
 Hongkong, 15th May, 1883. [975]

NOTICE.

THE Offices of the Undersigned have this
 day been REMOVED to the 1st Floor of
 No. 43, Queen's Road Central, above Achue's
 Confectionery Store

DENNIS & MOSSOP,
 Solicitors and Notaries Public.
 Hongkong, 31st March, 1883. [548]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
 CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

FIRST INTERIM BONUS of Twenty

HONGKONG, 7th May, 1888. [1006]
 CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,
 LIMITED.
 NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS.
 A BONUS of 10 1/2 % upon Contributions for
 the year 1883, has this day been declared
 and will be payable at the above Office on and
 after the 30th instant.
 JARDINE, MATHIE & Co.,
 General Agents.
 Hongkong, 15th May, 1888. [972]
 CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY.

NOTICE.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 21st to the 30th instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Hongkong, 4th May, 1883. 1887

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

presentation of their Share Certificates at the Head Office of this Company New Scrip will be issued in exchange, in accordance with the recent Resolution sub-dividing each old share into four new ones.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1833. [830]

**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.**

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance
with Resolution No. 2, passed at the

At a Special Meeting of the Shareholders held at the City Hall on the 30th December, 1882, all Shares not taken up and the First Call paid, on or before the 30th June next, will be disposed of by the Directors in such manner as in their discretion they shall think best in the interests of the Company.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. 667

ECONOMY IN GAS.

SUGG'S FLAT FLAME BURNERS
effect an economy in gas of
30 Per Cent.

And can be readily attached to ordinary Gas-
pipes and Brackets.

SUGG'S NEWEST BURNERS with
Artistic shades for Drawing Room and Dining
Room.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Agents for Hongkong.

**ARTISTIC PORCELAIN MENU
STANDS.**

**HAND-ENGRAVED MENU and NAME
CARDS.**

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

DRYDOES NONPAREIL KEROSENE,
150 degrees first test, a perfectly safe Oil.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

NOTICE.

A. S. WATSON AND CO.,
FAMILY AND DISPENSING
CHEMISTS.

By Appointment to His Excellency the Go-
vernors and his Royal Highness the
DUKE OF EDINBURGH.

WIDGESALAD, SOAP, DRUGGISTS,
PERFUMERS.

PATENT MEDICINE VENDOR.
DRUGGISTS' SUPPLIES.

ARRANGED WATER MAKERS.

SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS REFITTED,
PASSENGER SUPPLIES.

NOTICE.—To avoid delay in the execution of
Orders it is particularly requested that all
business communications be addressed to the
Firm, A. S. WATSON AND CO., or

HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Communications on Editorial matters should be
addressed "The Editor," and those on business "The
Manager," and not to individuals by name.

Correspondents are requested to forward their names
and address with communications addressed to the
Editor, not for publication, but as evidence of good
faith.

All notices for publication should be written on one
side of the paper only.

Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not
ordered for a fixed period will be continued until
cancelled.

Orders for extra copies of the Daily Press should
be sent before 11 a.m. on the day of publication.
After that hour the supply is limited.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MAY 25th, 1893.

The humanitarian party in Great Britain
has determined not to let Hongkong
slip out of sight. Sir John Pope
Hennessy set the National Association for the
Abolition of the Contagious Diseases Acts
and other societies of sympathizers upon the
trail of this Colony by persuading them that
it was a hot-bed of vice, and they evidently
do not intend to lose an opportunity of
worrying it. Accordingly, a collection of these
well-meaning but unfortunates philanthro-
pists waited upon the new Secretary of State
at the Colonial Office on the 17th ultimo
to urge upon his lordship the desirability of
abolishing the Hongkong Contagious Diseases
Ordinance. The reply of Lord Dunsany
to the deputation was not very encouraging,
and the most sanguine of those present could
have drawn little hope from it. At the same
time Lord Dunsany was so judiciously moder-
ate in his language, so careful in adding to
facts, that his reply was simply unan-
swerable. "When I find the system pre-
sented to me," he said, "I cannot un-
derstand it to be a way in the Colonies."

It there is a prospect for the law in British
agreements there will more need for the
military and naval stations in the Colonies.
The evidence that can be placed before Parlia-
ment will most unmistakably convince the
House of the inexpediency of even suspend-
ing the action of the Ordinance here.

The subject, however, is not one into which we
care to enter; we will content ourselves
with the expression of our satisfaction that
Lord Dunsany was not led away by the plausible
arguments of the humanitarian, and per-
sisted in treating the question as one to
be decided by public opinion as represented
by Parliament and not by the prejudices of
a few individuals with a voice.

Another aspect of the question involved in
the annexation of Eastern New Guinea by
the Queensland Government is shown in a
leading article in the *Indian Daily News*.
Our Calcutta contemporary approves of the
action of Queensland as being a measure of
self-protection against some foreign State,
and does not believe that the Eome Govern-
ment will either disavow or disallow the pro-
ceeding, more especially since the Queens-
land Government is supported by all the
other Australian Colonies, who are almost
equally interested in averting the establish-
ment of a foreign colony in such close
proximity to the Australian coast.

A Bavarian paper, referring to the annexation,
alleges that the Queensland Govern-
ment would take the step from the
fear that a new French naval settlement
was about to be established in New Guinea,
and the Dutch journal considers that, as
Queensland has been put to a good deal of
trouble and annoyance by the escape (thither
of numbers of French convicts from Noumea,
her Government was justified in adopting
measures to prevent the augmentation of that
evil. *Mais venons a nos moutons:* The
Indian Daily News takes special interest in
the New Guinea question because it regards
that island as one of the future material
outlets for the surplus population of India.

Under the benign influence of British rule,
the population of India goes on steadily in-
creasing, and the country even now with
difficulty supports its teeming millions in
spite of all the efforts of the Indian
Government to open up new industries.

Therefore it is, according to the paper
above named, that India has a strong in-
terest in the question of the future of New
Guinea. "If," says the *Daily News*, "New
Guinea is to be developed at all, it must
be by a population accustomed to the cir-
cumstances attendant upon life in tropical

regions. It is, therefore, an admirable ob-
ject for the surplus population of India, and the
Government of India might well consider the
"wisdom of drawing up a scheme for estab-
lishing an Indian colony under officers to be
selected by itself, and under special arrange-
ments with the Government of Queensland."
This scheme would, of course, be independent
of any scheme for establishing plan-
tations and seeking a supply of labour
which the Queensland authorities might
"desire." Under proper regulations, there
would be room enough for both schemes,
and both would flourish. At all events,
we may regard it as certain that New
Guinea will look to India for that popula-
tion which her requirements may demand.
There is much common sense in these remarks.
If New Guinea is to be colonized it must
be mainly by Asiatics, and the Australians
well welcome Indian immigrants rather than
Chinese, against whom so strong a prejudice
has arisen in the Colonies. Nevertheless it
is probable that a fair sprinkling of Chinese
would eventually find their way to New
Guinea for purposes of trade if not as la-
bourers. But it is highly probable that, if
the Imperial Government sanction the hold
not carried out by the Premier of Queens-
land, but will, before many years elapse, have
an organised emigration from India to New
Guinea, just as there has been for many
years past from India to Mauritius. In the
meantime, we cannot help wondering why
the Indian Government has not given more
encouragement to emigration to the Malay
peninsula and those portions of Borneo at
present underdeveloped.

H.M. gunboat *Shikara*, Lieut. Commander
R.M. had left yesterday for Singapore.

The following (says the *World*) appears in this
month's *Illustrated* autobiography in this month's
Illustrated:

"I obtained by competitive examination an assistant
ship in the Hongkong Department of the Public
Works, and was appointed to the office of assistant
surveyor in 1861. I spent the next five years in
various positions of trust and responsibility, and
in 1866 I was promoted to the office of assistant
surveyor, and in 1867 to the office of assistant
commissioner of the Public Works Department."

Mr. John (Sir Ralph) Lingard, the Secretary
of the Treasury, was at the time (about 1859)
Secretary of the Education Office. Among other
men who emancipated themselves from this "bale-
ful office," I may mention Sir R. Morris and Sir
J. P. Hennessy.

The former with which India has been
received of recent years is far as much to
be desired as the latter. In China tea is grown
everywhere, and everywhere it is the staple
of the soil, the best facilities to be applied, the best
methods of manufacture to be adopted, or of
consideration of a life like this. The constant
experiments that are made in our Indian
tea-gardens, the anxious care these receive
themselves explain the fact that the consump-
tion of tea in India has risen to 60,000 tons
in 1881, and that whereas the imports to Aus-
tralia within living memory were at one time
all but nil, in 1881 nearly forty-five million
pounds found their way to the Melbourne market
alone.—*S. J. O'Brien.*

In authentic the trade returns of Assam for
the year 1881-82, the *Friend of India* says—
"The value of the exports of Assam for the year
ended in 1881 was Rs. 8,01,300 in the exports of tea.
We observe, however, that the total Administration
is inclined to doubt the accuracy of those
figures, and in the report for 1881-82, the value
of 23,75,000 Rs. is taken for the year 1881-82,
2,38,899 Rs. in the previous year, 1880,
1881, the report shows only 21,43,839 Rs. or
20,71,718 Rs. while the export returns show
of 23,75,000 Rs. in 1881-82, 1881, against
one of 24,02,375 Rs. for 1880."

The members of the Police Force had a
stout competition at the Kowloon Race track
yesterday afternoon for a cup given by Mr. H. H.
Hart, and the result was as follows:—
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THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & C. steamer *Centurion*, with the American mail, was to leave Yokohama on 19th, and may be expected to arrive here on 25th inst.

The O. & C. steamer *Conita*, with the mailing American mail, left San Francisco on 15th May, and may be expected here on or about the 4th June.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The Ben Line steamer *Bevern* left Singapore on the 24th, and may be expected to arrive here on the 26th inst.

The Castle Line steamer *Glamis Castle* left Singapore on the 21st, and is due here on the 27th inst.

The Shire Line steamer *Radnorshire* left Singapore on the 21st, and is due here on the 28th inst.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Slender* left Singapore on the evening of the 21st, and is due here on the 28th inst.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

The authorized List of Mails issued coinciding with this paper is one published twice each day in our Extra, which is also corrected to a much later hour than that given in the paper.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE

For Murasaki and Kobe.—Per *Kurewa Maru*, to-day, the 25th inst., at 3.30 p.m.
For Saigon.—Per *Crossed*, to-day, the 25th inst., at 5.0 p.m.
For Nagasaki and Yokohama.—Per *Zan Maru*, to-day, the 26th inst., at 11.30 p.m.
For Sandakan and Kulat.—Per *Thales*, to-day, the 26th inst., at 3.30 p.m.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET
The French Contract Packet "OX" will be despatched on **THURSDAY**, the 1st, with Mails to the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, via Naples; to Europe, Siragha Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India (via Madras), the Austral Colonies, Aden, Egypt, Malta, Gibraltar. The usual hours will be observed in all the Mails, &c.

HOURS FOR CLOSING THE CONTRACT MAILS.

THE FRENCH MAIL.
Day before Departure.
5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post
office, except the night box, which is al-
ways open out of office hours.

Day of Departure.
7 A.M., Post Office opens.
10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases. Post-
office, all printed matter and patterns ceases.
11 A.M., Mail closes, except for Late Letters.
11.30 A.M., Letters may be posted with Last
of 10 cents until
11.40 A.M., when the Post Office closes and
11.40 A.M., Late Letters may be posted on

the packet with Late Fee of 10 Cents
of departure.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.
The following hours are observed in all
Mails, &c., by the British Contract Packet
Company.

NOON.—Money Order Office closes.
2.00 P.M.—Registry of Letters closes.
ing of all printed matter and patterns of
3.00 P.M.—Mails closed, except for Late
3.10 P.M.—Letters may be posted with lat
of 10 cents until
3.30 P.M.—when the Post Office closes and
3.40 P.M.—Late Letters may be posted on

the packet with late fee of 10 cents,
time of departure.

MONEY LETTERS.

Public attention is called to the following extract from the Hongkong Post Office Circular, Paragraph 60:—

"The Post Office declines all responsi-
bility for unregistered letters containing Bank
notes, and, where Registration has been used,
will make no enquiries into alleged

No responsibility can be accepted by the Office for erroneous replies to verbal inquiries or to notes addressed to subvertulate a figure. It is the duty of the sender to provide the correct address to all stamps should appear. It is not regarded as able to give correct location. The Postal Guide alone is the standard point on which such information is required.

Post Office not sealed, that is to say, the Post Office not sealed with wax, but there is a provision of a seal.

The attention of boxholders is called to the necessity of carefully sealing such boxes with some recognizable seal, and of sending a book or receipt with them. The omission of the latter precaution leaves a doubt as to whether the contents of the box ever reached the Post Office; the omission of the former whether part of them might not have been abstracted for the sake of the Postage Stamp.

"SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' LETTERS"
1.—Private to H.M. Army or Navy.

commissioned Officers,* Bandmasters,
Schoolmasters (not Superintending or
Class) Writers or Schoolmistresses may
half-crown letters to the United Kingdom
at the rate of four cents (two pence),
which may be prepaid either in Imperial
Hongkong Stamps. By private steam-
postage is 2 cents (one penny), which is
the general rate of Postage on Soldiers
Sailors' letters sent elsewhere.

2.—The same privileges apply to letters
addressed to the Privates and Non-commissioned
Officers named above.

3.—Private steamers leave Hongkong
London about every ten days.

4.—The letters must not exceed half an inch in length. No handkerchiefs, jewellery, &c., can be taken on board, even with the ends open.

5.—If from a Soldier or Sailor his class description must be stated in full on the cover of which must be signed by the commanding Officer, with name of regiment, ship or vessel, and date of departure. If to a Soldier or Sailor, his class description, with name of regiment, ship, &c., must be stated in full.

6.—Soldiers and Sailors have no privilege with regard to books or papers, nor can they be supplied with Imperial Stamps.

* But not Warrant Officers, viz.—Conductors, Mess, Boatswain, or Carpenter.

LETTERS FOR THE UNITED STATES BY SA
SHIP.

When it is desired to forward letters United States by a sailing ship which is notified as carrying a mail, it is only necessary to post the letters in the ordinary way, with the name of the ship, and prepaid 10 per half ounce as usual. The Post Office undertakes the duty of obtaining notice of departure and despatching the correspondence as requested that the letters be posted if possible at least one day before the date fixed for sailing.

LOCAL AND INDIAN PARCEL POST.

1.—Small Parcels may be sent by Post at Rates between Hongkong and any of the Post Offices in China, as well as to Japan, Peking, the Straits Settlements, Ceylon and India. They must not exceed the following dimensions: 2 feet long, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, without more than 5 lbs., nor be smaller than 3 in. by 2 in. Such parcels may be wholly closed or partly open, and may be sent by air mail, if so letter, but any parcel may be opened by the Postmaster General. In the case of Parcels for India a declaration of contents and value is required, a printed form for which is supplied gratis. The Registration of Parcels for India and Ceylon is compulsory.

To provide means of remitting small sums of money to or from this Colony and the Ports of China, the Postmasters and Agents of this Office are allowed (but not required) to purchase Hongkong Postage Stamps from foreign residents.

The Stamps tendered for sale must be of good value, must be perfectly good and in good condition, and in strips of at least 10 separate Stamps will be purchased. They must be presented personally or accompanied by a note.

Letters containing Stamps should be forwarded, and the Stamps should be accompanied by a note.

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